

**REMARKS**

Prior to this amendment, Claims 1-12 were pending in the application. The Examiner has rejected the claims as follows: Claims 1-3 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0065788 A1 to Salomaki; Claims 4 and 9-11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Salomaki in view of U.S. Patent Application No. 2002/0120760 A1 to Kimchi et al.; and Claims 5, 7-8, and 12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Salomaki in view of Kimchi and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6480957 B1 to Liao et al. Claim 6 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Salomaki in view of Liao et al. and further in view of Kimchi et al.

As indicated above, Claims 1-12 have been cancelled and new Claims 13-30 have been added. No new matter has been presented. Claims 13-30 are now pending, with Claims 13, 18, 22, and 27 as independent Claims.

Regarding independent Claims 13, 18, 22, and 27, the present application claims transmitting only updated presence information when the client terminal requests a reconnection by using at least one of a session ID, a transaction ID, and a client ID, which are set between the server and the terminal before a disconnection. However, the cited references fail to teach, disclose, or suggest, alone or in combination, the feature of identifying only updated information data by using the above IDs (session, transaction, and client IDs) after a termination between the terminal and the server, and then transmitting updated presence data. Therefore, for at least the above reasons, independent Claims 13, 18, 22, and 27 are patentable over the prior art.

Claims 14-17, 19-21, 23-26, and 28-30 are dependent claims, and are believed to be in condition for allowance for at least the reasons given above with regard to their